

STAYS WHERE LINCOLN PUT HIM 56 YEARS AGO



When George Evans, chief clerk in the Interior Department, was 14 years old he was a drummer boy with the Union Army at Gettysburg. President Abraham Lincoln visited camp, became interested in Evans and took him back to Washington—making him a messenger in the Interior Department. He has worked here ever since—56 years.

ENJOYED TOBACCO IN SCHOOL

In the Seventeenth Century It Was Common for the Children to Use the Weed.

The latest diatribe against women smokers—by "a doctor to a famous life insurance company," according to the London paper which publishes it—classifies the tobacco habit among women as an evil of modern growth. But when tobacco first reached England it was enjoyed in common by both sexes. In the seventeenth century, according to John Ashton, "it was not only usual for the women to join the men in smoking, but in Worcestershire the children were sent to school with pipes in their mouths, and the schoolmaster called a halt in their studies while they all smoked—he teaching the neophyte."

Scotch women used to enjoy a pipe the same way as they enjoyed a pinch of snuff. One of the compilers of the "Statistical Account of Scotland," published in 1791, records that "The chief luxuries in the rural districts are snuff, tobacco and whisky. Tea and sugar are little used, but the use of whisky has become very great. The use of tobacco may almost be said to be universal, especially among the female sex. There is scarce a young woman by the time she has been taught to spin but has also learned to smoke. Smoking seems to have been introduced as an antidote to rheumatism and ague. The favorable alteration with respect to these diseases has only produced a greater avidity for tobacco."

TO REVIVE HOME INDUSTRY

Good Work Done by Knitters During the War Has Given Impetus to New Movement.

What was accomplished by the vast volunteer army of knitters during the war is one of the creditable facts in the history of the world upheaval through which civilization has been passing, says the St. Louis Globe Democrat. But for the millions of devoted women who kept the needles flying the horrors of the trenches would have been still more frightful and deadly. The achievements of the knitters have suggested the organization in New York of a society for the revival of home industry and domestic art. Its first move is to gather all the spinning wheels within reach and look up practical instructors in the use of a household implement that had become but an antique piece of furniture. Man-kind needs weavers as well as plowmen, and spinning at home is one of the oldest forms of industry. In the cabins of American pioneers the spinning wheel was a necessity, and kept busy in what, by a stretch of imagination, were called spare hours. Those were the days of homespun textiles because often no others were to be had.

Find New Kind of Animal.

Captain Phillips, writing from British Ruanda, in the Tanganyika territory, states he has shot a specimen of an hitherto unidentified species of duiker. The animal is about the size of a large goat, and is known as an eppo or empu by the natives, to whom it is in a way sacred as being the totem-beast of Musinga, the now reigning chief or mwami of the country of Ruanda, over the greater part of which a mandate was recently given to Belgium by the peace conference.

The eppo lives in the bamboo forests of Mount Sabino and other mountain forests, and seldom comes into open country. It often takes refuge in the low and broad forks of large trees. The creature has a stumpy tail, oval horns, and marsh hooves; in color it is a rufous black, and has a bright yellow stripe along about half of its back. In the case of the present specimen, which was, apparently, healthy, part of the back was nearly bald of hair.—London Times.

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WHY WRITE DULL LETTERS?

Correspondence May Be Made Interesting If a Little Thought Is Given to It.

Most people think before they speak, but only a few think before they write. I have a friend, says a writer in London Answers, and she is a girl who always keeps her friends; partly, I am sure, because, however far away they are, it is never too much trouble to write them long and interesting letters. Thus, though miles may stretch between them, she can always keep her friends very near to her in thought.

She does not dash off anything that comes into her head; she always considers her friends' point of view. If the particular friend she is writing to is fond of sport she writes of it; fond of books, then the latest books are discussed; if music is a favorite, then music finds a place in her letter. And always through them all there runs a little vein of humor.

So many people suffer from lack of tact. For instance, some time ago, when my mother was about to undergo a very serious operation, it became necessary to censor her correspondence—for the simple reason that some of it was too depressing for words.

One very well-meaning old lady wrote saying how sorry she was to hear of my mother's great misfortune and how it often happened that very active women ended their days as bedridden invalids! And how she once knew of a lady who caught cold after a similar operation and contracted some awful kind of incurable "itis!"

One always considers people in conversation. Then why not in letter writing? One does not talk religion before an atheist, nor let the conversation verge on the frivolous before a curate.

Letters require just as much thought.

DISCOVERY OF HOLY CROSS

Story Goes That the Empress Helena Was Responsible for Its Recovery From the Jews.

Through the zeal of the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, was discovered the cross on which the Savior was crucified, and the date is given as May 3. The story usually told is to the effect that the empress went to Jerusalem and there compelled the Jews to bring the cross from its concealment and give it to her, together with other crosses in their possession. Its identity was established by a miracle: The body of a dead man was placed on each of the crosses, and when it touched the true one the dead man immediately came to life. Many pilgrims traveling to Jerusalem received pieces of the true cross, and the question was raised as to the possibility of supplying thousands with these fragments without entirely carrying away the cross. It was therefore said that the true cross had the power of reproducing itself. On the capture of Jerusalem in 614, the cross was taken, and was carried into Persia, where it remained until restored by Heraclius, which event is commemorated in September and is usually called Holyrood day. The four nails were distributed so that two were placed in the imperial crown, one brought to France, and another thrown into the Adriatic to quiet its turbulence.

Ouija Supplanted Planchette.

The planchette was a thin, heart-shaped piece of wood supported on two casters at the end of the base, and on an ordinary pencil at the apex, popular about 1860 to 1880, before the ouija board supplanted it. The pencil could readily be made to trace characters without conscious movement on the part of the operator, if the fingertips were placed upon this device.

Like the ouija board, the planchette was used by two classes of persons. It was used by the believers in spiritualism, who asked questions of a spiritual control, and believed that they received answers from the intelligences on the spirit plane, and by people who regarded the mechanism as a game, and amused themselves by pushing it to write messages for the benefit of others present.

Old and New Books.

There is no sillier affectation than that of old worldism. To rave about Sir Robert Browne and know nothing of William Cobbett is foolish. To turn your back upon your own time is simply to provoke living wags, with rudimentary but effective humor, to chalk opprobrious epithets upon your person. But, on the other hand, to depend upon your contemporaries for literary sustenance, to be reduced to scum the lists of "Forthcoming Works" with a hungry eye, to complain of a dearth of new poems, and new novels, and new sermons, is worse than affectation—it is stupidity.—Augustine Birrell.

THE "HYPNOTIC EYE" OF CARPENTIER



This new American photograph taken of the French heavyweight champ, Georges Carpentier, shows best perhaps what is called his "hypnotic eye." Carpentier is credited with dazzling his opponent through his intense gaze. Carpentier's manager is shown whispering instructions to him. Carpentier meets Battling Levinsky in New Jersey early in October in his first American appearance.

RETAIN OLD RELIGIOUS RITE

Quapaw Indians Stick to Form of Worship of Which Feast Forms an Important Part.

In the vicinity of Devil's Hollow, several miles east of Quapaw, Okla., there is a wigwam-shaped church building located miles from any white man's habitation, and a long distance from the nearest Indian domicile, where the Quapaw full-blooded Indians congregate regularly to worship the Great Spirit in silence. They sit about a tiny fire that has been built on a stone base in the middle of the dirt floor, from Saturday night at sundown till Sunday noon, fasting and praying, but never speaking a word.

A feature of their church meetings is the feast that follows the fast and religious rites. The meal is served in a little mess house nearby, and when the services are over the squaws, who have slipped out a few hours before the time to close, are ready with the dinner and all sit down to partake of the food that is always a part of the program.

The church was built many years ago, so that the residents might have a place to worship, a custom still kept up, regardless of the fact that there is no preacher, no choir, nothing to call them but the religious spirit of the Indian. Chief Quapaw owns nearly 1,000 acres of land in this region, but when he was offered \$20,000 for a few acres of it that lay in the city of Quapaw, which was named after him, he refused because, he said, he knew the white man would try to get the money, but could not get the land away from him.

DRAW MUSIC FROM A SAW

New Yorker Gets Startling and Pleasing Effects by Using the Tool as a Violin.

The conventional saw has recently appeared in a new role—namely, as a musical instrument. Indeed, one of the leading novelties of a current New York musical revue is the musical carpenter who uses his saw as a violin.

After protracted experimentation and untiring practice, Sam Moore of New York city has succeeded in getting very agreeable music from ordinary carpenter's saw, according to the Scientific American. He holds the saw handle between his legs, holds the tip of the saw in one hand and works the usual violin bow with the other. The vibrating steel blade emits soft, appealing notes, the pitch of which is varied by changing the curvature of the blade.

All sorts of queer effects can be obtained by the adept manipulation of the blade; in fact, the music derived by this means can hardly be described. If anything, it resembles the human voice; then again it has the queer wail of the Hawaiian Ukelele. All in all, the effect is startling and pleasing.

New Vegetable Ivory.

A recent number of the French bulletin of the colonial office gives a description of a new form of vegetable ivory, which can be used in European industry in place of the corozo. This new substance is produced by the kernel of an edible fruit growing upon a palm of the upper Senegal-Niger territory, the Borassus ethiopum. The kernel is seven or eight centimeters long and five centimeters broad, thus permitting the cutting of balls or plates of considerable size to be used in marquetry, or the making of dominoes, piano keys, buttons, etc. The kernel becomes extremely hard when thoroughly dried. As a proof of this it is stated that it is at the present moment being used as building stones for making of the houses of native chiefs, while it is expected that the future cathedral at Dakar will have tinted pillars constructed of these same kernels.—Scientific American Monthly.

Seen in Piccadilly.

A rough little pony in a coster's cart stood near a mansion in Piccadilly on a chilly morning. A pile of logs for firewood was being unloaded and the pony was enjoying the warmth of a somewhat unusual loin-cloth flung over his back. It consisted of a handsome edging of fur attached to a musquash coat, which was seen to belong to a woman who was shifting the wood, who was coatless while she worked. So the little rough pony was sharing what was known a year ago as "munition overalls"—because these handsome fur coats were the sign and signature of the girl munition workers, whose sudden enormously increased incomes enabled them to realize the ambitions of their life—a fur coat as good as you please. And very handsome they were, and very well they became the owners—and very contented the pony looked.

Serbiants Adopt English Words.

From an Oxonian in Belgrade, writing to the London Spectator, we hear of the excursions of English words into Serbia. Some of them are slightly Serbified, but easily recognized. For example, "aeroplane," "budget," "klub," "miting," "shtrik," "drednot," "Transport" has made its way unannounced. "Submarine" has come in from the French in the form of "sumaren." Tanks are "tankovi." No interpretation is necessary of the Serbian form of a world word, "fordovi." "What region on the earth is not full of your labor." These are war words, but "dientemanski" entered Belgrade before the war. So, as communications between peoples increase, alien words of many languages in many languages are naturalized.—New York Times.

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HOW COBBLER FOOLED DEVIL

Good Story of the Discomfiture of the Enemy of Mankind Told in Old Chronicle.

The old story about the moated mound in the parish of Whitechurch, England, called the Tump, is thus related by Capt. Harry Lewis in the "Archeologia Combricensis."

"Once upon a time the devil quarreled with the people of the Rhoulia, and he determined to destroy them; so, he dug up a spadeful of English earth, and set out to dam the River Taff below Castell Coch. He walked till he reached the foot of Rhoulia hill, which is about a mile from the castle, near the old smithy of Eleven St. Jervis; and, feeling tired, and the day being hot, he sat down to rest. Looking up, he espied a cobbler coming down the hill with a sack on his back. The cobbler had been, as was then the custom, going round the countryside collecting shoes to be mended, and the sack was full of old shoes that needed soling. 'Good day,' said the devil; 'how far is it to Castell Coch?' The cobbler was no fool, and recognizing at once with whom he had to deal, guessed that the devil was contemplating some mischief. So he opened his bag, and, displaying the old shoes with soles full of holes, answered that he had worn them all out, walking from Castell Coch. The devil was too tired to pursue what he imagined must be a very long journey, and in disgust threw the spadeful of earth over the hedge; and, as the old man who told me the story said, 'there is the mound to prove the truth of the story.'

SOME FISH OF RECORD SIZE

Finny Monster Claimed to Have Been Taken Off New Jersey—Remarkable Devil Fish.

America claims to have caught the largest fish on record—an enormous ray harpooned off New Jersey, weighing four tons, and needing six oxen and 22 men to drag it ashore. The battle with the fish lasted nine hours, and it lashed up spray to a height of over 30 feet.

Allowance must be made for some exaggeration, but there are on record other cases where gigantic rays, or devil fish, have been harpooned.

One taken off Jamaica was so big that it took 40 men to drag it along the beach. Even rays caught in British waters are sometimes of great size, like one that was sold in the fish market at Cambridge. It weighed 224 pounds, and when cooked and served at St. John's college was sufficient to make a meal for 120 persons.

A ray 18 feet across and 50 feet round was trapped in Table Bay, while off the Bahama Islands the natives once harpooned a gigantic skate measuring something like 16 feet across the flappers.

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